

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 940**

(Doc. No. 11921cm06.doc)

---

TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee  
FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board  
ANALYSTS: Rodney Grizzle, R. J. Stein  
DATE: February 13, 2006 SBD: 2006023

---

AUTHOR: Senator Thomas PRIMARY CODE CITE: 56-5-2942  
SUBJECT: Hatley's Law

---

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:  
See Below

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:  
See Below

---

**BILL SUMMARY:**

Senate Bill 940 amends the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by enacting "Hatley's Law", which amends Section 56-5-2942 as it relates to the immobilization of a motor vehicle and watercraft upon the conviction of the owner of the vehicle for certain alcohol related offenses.

**EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:**

Judicial Department

The Department indicates this Bill would have no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, nor on Federal and/or Other Funds

Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV)

The Department indicates this Bill would have a cost of approximately \$78,045 in non-recurring expenses for programming cost for the new violations and suspensions to be added to the Phoenix system. The Bill also states that DMV would receive a \$40 reinstatement fee from an individual who has been convicted of these offenses and had the registration and license tag suspended from a vehicle that was immobilized.

Department of Natural Resources

The Department reports that the Bill might result in some additional work for officers who would have to remove stickers from boats. However, this could be accomplished during the course of their normal workday. There is no fiscal impact on the General Fund or on Federal or Other Funds. The Bill also requires that a \$50 reinstatement fee be paid to the Department for each device that was immobilized.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:**

None.

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate entity to address any revenue impact associated with this Bill.

Approved by:



Don Addy  
Assistant Director, Office of State Budget